

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Abstract beginning at page 21, line 1 with the following amended Abstract:

--An apparatus for detecting dislodgement of a needle inserted into a patient includes is ~~provided comprising~~ a sensor for ~~capable of~~ detecting wetness due to blood and a sensor holder ~~adapted~~ to secure the sensor to the patient such that the sensor detects wetness due to blood loss from the patient upon dislodgement of the needle. Methods and apparatuses for detecting, monitoring and/or controlling blood loss from a patient due to needle dislodgement are also provided.